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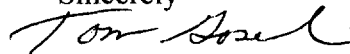
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Subj: Docket # 98N-1038 - Irradiation in the production, processing and handling of food.

I am writing to insist on prominent labeling of irradiated foods. The labeling must include the term "irradiated" and preferably include the radura symbol. Use of alternative terms is inappropriate and irresponsible as they would not provide accurate information to the consumer, and I believe it is the responsibility of this agency to protect the consumer and the consumers rights. The absence of a label would also be misleading since irradiation destroys vitamins and results in changes in sensory and spoilage qualities that are not obvious nor expected by consumers. The label must be large enough to be readily visible to allow consumers to be aware of how the food has been processed. I strongly feel the FDA labeling requirement should not be allowed to expire.

Sincerely

  
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